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SOURCE: Tokyo, Japan.

IMPORTANCE: Not previously reported.

DESCRIPTION: This kit is packed in a fiber board case similar to an ordinary suitcase. It is painted olive drab. The dimensions of the case are 19" x 15" x 7 1/2".

For reinforcement, metal strips are riveted along the edges and metal pieces on the corners. A leather strap on the top comprises the handle. Hasps, like those on a suitcase, are used to secure the lid. A Geneva Red Cross appears on each end of the case.

The interior is lined with heavy canvas and is divided into four compartments. Leather loops are sewn to the inside of the lid to hold bottled medicinals.

The contents of the case are as follows:

Water sterilizer	ea	1
Rubberized sheet	ea	1
Syringe	ea	1
Trachea tube	ea	1
Splints, ladder		
a. No. 2	ea	1
b. No. 3	ea	1
Neraton catheter with case	ea	1
Hypodermic set	ea	1

Camphor Solution	amp	10
Morphine	amp	5
Digitamin	amp	5
Spirit of chlorcresol	amp	5
Elastic tourniquet	ea	2
Surgical instrument kit	ea	1
Tray, disinfecting	ea	1
Miscellaneous instrument box containing:		
a. Head mirror	ea	1
b. Stethoscope	ea	1
c. Clinical thermometer	ea	1
d. Cutting scissors	ea	1
e. Knife	ea	1
f. Razor with case	ea	1
g. Tongue depressor	ea	1
h. <del>Scissors</del> , ordinary	ea	1
i. Forceps, for ear and nose	ea	1
j. Ear speculum	ea	1
k. Ear applicator	ea	3
l. Nasal speculum	ea	1
m. Nasal applicator	ea	3
n. Safety pins	ea	10
Adhesive tape, rubber No. 2	roll	1
Bandage	pkg	2
Rolled bandage, no. 1 and no. 2	ea	5
Gauze	roll	1
Absorbent cotton	gm	100
Splint, ladder type No. 1	ea	1
Triangular bandage	ea	5
Gauze, sterile, corrosive sublimate	roll	1
Cotton	roll	1
Bottled medicinals under straps on inside of lid:		
Tincture of Iodine	gm	50



Cresol soap solution	gm	50
Alcohol	gm	50
Mint wine	gm	50

COMMENT: This kit was used by a medical officer at an air field who awaited the return of air casualties. The Japanese medical officer did not fly with the crew but remained on the ground. Selection of materials is fair. They are not as adequate as would be desired.

Photographs:   Figs. 1 - Case, closed,  
                   Figs. 2 - Case, with contents displayed.



Fig. 1 - Case, closed.



Fig. 2 - Case, with contents displayed.



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